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Large tree stumps and other heavy debris were removed from the Marsh and Higuera area last weekend by members

of a local unit of the California National Guard, made up of students and residents.

Photo by Henry Gross

## Students help National Guard with cleanup

Operation Cleanup, the arduous task of returning the city of San Luis Obispo to normal after last month's devastating flood, received a large helping hand from a number of students from this university last weekend.

The students worked with the 1498th Transportation Company of the California National Guard from Camp San Luis Obispo in the cleanup project.

Approximately 40 men participated in the task force which was made up of 80 per cent college students, according to Reese Davies, platoon sergeant.

The National Guard unit furnished the heavy equipment needed for removal of large tree trunks and other heavy debris. The helping hand came in response to a request made by the city. A wrecker, dump trucks, axes and shovels were furnished by the Guard.

Work was concentrated at the Broad street freeway off-ramp and the intersection at Higuera and Marsh streets.

Capt. Gary Fowler was in charge of the cleanup operation which saw the work force divided into crews of six to 10 men. The groups worked all day Saturday and Sunday.

## POW releases delayed

SAIGON (UPI) — Release of American prisoners of war has been held up by Communist insistence that the United States provide an exact schedule of U.S. troop withdrawals from South Vietnam and American refusal to do so, sources within the Joint Military Commission said Monday.

At a meeting of the four-party Joint Military Commission Monday, the Viet Cong repeated the demand for a list of withdrawals. The American representative, Maj. Gen. Gilbert Woodward, told the Communists he had no such list.

According to the Vietnam peace agreement signed in Paris, all U.S. troops must leave South Vietnam by the end of March. There are now some 20,000 U.S. servicemen in the country.

The Paris treaty also requires that the United States give the JMC and the four-nation international cease-fire supervisory commission "the approximate numbers to be withdrawn in each 15-day phase" of the cease-fire. It was this list which the Viet Cong demanded.

Woodward has told the Viet Cong he has no details except that the troop withdrawal will be completed by March 28.

Consequently, the sources said, the Communists have stalled the work of a subcommittee of the JMC assigned to work out details of the

release of American POWs, including times and places the POWs will be picked up.

The Communist delay has set back chances for an early prisoner release, the JMC sources said.

This delay was reflected Monday by the chairman of the International Commission for Control and Supervision, ICCS, Canadian Michel Gauvin. On Sunday Gauvin had said the first POW release probably would come about the middle of the week, but Monday he changed

this to say it would begin "in a week or so."

Gauvin made his statement after a four-hour meeting of the ICCS chiefs. He said:

"We have been warned about the possibility of an exchange of prisoners and to be ready. We are ready and I just forewarned the commission."

Asked when the release of prisoners would begin, Gauvin said, "Within, I presume, a week or so. I don't know where and I don't know when. But I know it is in the offing."

## Witty 'Gap' delights audience

by BECKY THOMPSON

The Credibility Gap delighted an enthusiastic and receptive audience Sunday night in Chumash Auditorium with their witty performances of spoofs on various satirical subjects.

Using their talents of punning, puns, semantics, and sound effects, "The Gap" completely captivated the three-fourths capacity crowd who allowed themselves to be carried along in the continuous flow of humor which touched on many aspects of human behavior and social institutions.

"The Gap's" show started off with a skit on a television variety show with the MC interviewing

Superman and Batman on the subject of drug abuse. The audience received the performance with continuous laughter—the spoof centering on the two super heroes' professional rivalry and egos.

This first skit got the show off to a great start. Most of the material included touches of humor aimed at the prejudice in America, with one skit centering around a Polish television variety show with a Polish M.C. and his Polish-Polish-Irish guest.

After the spoof was over, one of the members of the group came up to the microphone and said, "Congratulations. You've all passed the test. You're prejudiced. Think about that

while we take a fifteen minute break."

There was also a lot of political satire throughout the show, with skits on a personal conference between Vice-president Agnew and President Nixon, an editorial on Viet Nam by the "General Manager of the Credibility Gap," a look into the future with a television announcement by Sen. Edward Kennedy on the death of his girl page, and a spoof on political advertising agencies.

"The Gap" ended their show with a satirical look at the performance of a swinging, singing rock group. Using lip-synce to a recorded teenie hopper-style rock'n' roll song, the four Gap members performed a hysterical

Bonds said that 180 students were recruited by the Committee to assist in the clean-up operation. Says Bonds, "Take a position for humanity...for those families who lost everything during the recent disaster, be serious, every little bit helps."

Robin Baggett, ASI President, said, "Any householder wishing to donate items but lacking means of bringing them to our campus should call Roundhouse, the student services office, 846-2014, to ask for pickup."

dance routine in matching mod shirts with three-foot long fringe. They received a roaring round of applause calling them back for a second bow.

Second billing on the program was held by Jim Stowell, a student at this campus who performs at local coffee houses. Stowell is a talented guitarist and folk singer and presented the audience with songs by such artists as James Taylor, Paul Simon, Kenny Loggins, Peter, Paul, and Mary, and a couple of his own creations.

Stowell handled his guitar with precision, but not without an error or two, but he joked about his mistakes and the audience (Continued on page 3)



## Student blasts peace thoughts as 'half-truths'

Editor:

In a recent letter, Randy Jertberg made reply to my own previously printed letter which dealt with the cease-fire in Vietnam.

One of the most obvious half-truths concerns the 1956 elections supposedly ordered by the Geneva Convention in 1954. What the anti-war spokesmen would like to forget is the fact that neither the U.S. or South Vietnamese government signed the Geneva Agreements, and were not obligated to hold reunification elections at all. Feeling that the North Vietnamese would not permit a truly free election, Diem refused to give his consent, as he had a perfect right to do.

We hear over and over again from Randy Jertberg and others that the U.S. is the aggressor in Vietnam. However like so many other words in the peaceniks' unique vocabulary, "aggressor" has a convenient, flexible and above all, subjective definition. Namely, the nation using the largest arsenal is the aggressor.

Randy closes his letter with the complaint that the U.S. is leaving war material in the hands of the South Vietnamese. Apparently, since he has finally realized that withdrawal of the U.S. troops won't end the war, he proposes that we disarm our allies in the bargain. Unless Russia and China reciprocate, this idea is transparently absurd. Yet it is typical of the thinking that has been demonstrated by peace-at-any-price advocates.

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## ECOLOGY

### A case for 'wilderness'

Bruce Patrovsky

The lumber companies and others against wilderness preservation are constantly claiming that wilderness designation, with the resulting "lock up" of resources, means loss of jobs and less recreation. The following is reprinted, with permission, from Viewpoint, the newsletter of Recreational Equipment Inc.

"Each year, as more land is put into production, more wilderness disappears. Logging, mining, dam and highway building, real estate developments all take their toll. And because of a growing population, and a growing need for the experiences of the trail country, the remaining wildland is being traveled by more and more people. The trend threatens even those areas that are protected in National Parks and National Wilderness Areas.

"In the past America has grown with little thought to the ecological consequences. Now all of us must insist that a more rational policy of land use be followed. We cannot demand that the wheels of industry come to a complete halt in a vain attempt to regain the America of 1800, but we can insist that environmental costs be reckoned in land use policy. This may well reduce the nation's rate of economic growth and the number of new millionaires created in the next decade, but it need not cause unemployment.

"Wilderness and the recreation based on it created jobs for bootmakers and ski manufacturers, engineers, climbing equipment designers, wilderness guards, wildlife experts, botanists, and biologists, research scientists, clothing manufacturers, salesmen, truck drivers, writers and photographers, retail clerks, and

thousands of other workers in scores of other jobs and professions.

"As an individual, you can do much by writing letters to your congressmen, senators, and other elected and appointed public officials. This is important, but by adding your name to the roster of an activist organization, you become part of a pressure group that is heard at city hall, and in congress.

"In whatever part of America, there are groups of concerned people working together to establish or save a neighborhood park, to clean up a polluted river or lake or protect a clean one, to create or enlarge or create a wilderness area, to stop an unwise dam or mine or freeway.

"Thus, to get involved, all that is usually necessary is for you to make a telephone call. Join up; don't be bashful! The groups are waiting for you.

STAFF COMMENT

## Pot: wasted not wanted

William Owens Jr.

Editor's note: Bill Owens, a staff photographer, has some misgivings about a recent Outpost article on marijuana use. The following are his opinions and not necessarily those of the management or staff of Mustang Daily.

I am not against pot. I don't really care who smokes it. But a precedent has been set in the past year in the media and on campuses either to advocate pot, or advocate its legalization (decriminalization).

The recent Outpost article, intentionally or not, has followed this same course of advocacy. The article not only presented the whole stock sell-out of an admitted user, but it also told how to smoke safely in a taped-up room. It even gives the advice of counsel for those who use pot and anticipate being busted.

This is, in my opinion, wrong. It is wrong because there are many people on this campus who haven't tried pot and may, and many who don't use it too regularly, but may.

I know that pot is physically harmless and that it is even more safe than cigarettes, alcohol, and many of the vices humans indulge in. But it is another vice.

I had smoked pot for a fourth of my life, three years heavily. It leaves no hang-over, no effects. Nothing but good feelings and good times. The stereo sounds better, you crack better jokes, and everyone has a better time. And if pot is that good, why not smoke it more and feel good more often? This is a common attitude among unstable users.

After awhile, pot smoking

becomes almost a psychosis. You don't need another tok, but you want one bad enough to risk losing freedom and winding up in jail.

Why? Because pot is so good that no one can find a reason for not smoking it.

But has anyone stopped to consider the non-thinking person who smokes pot?

Face it. Pot is more fun if you're wasted. But consider the literal problem of the word "wasted." You're no damn good to anybody under the influence. You can't work decently. You can't read decently. And you certainly can't perform intelligently in public. What sort of waste of humanity would you guess this entails?

I am not against pot. But I don't think that it should be fully legalized in that it being a criminal offense does deter its use to a great degree. We don't

## Helgafjell volcano gets active; threatens harbor

Reykjavik (UPI)—A fiery, new lava stream lapped from the main crater of Helgafjell volcano Monday, threatening to close the harbor of the volcanic-devastated island of Heimaey, rescue officials reported.

An ash rain also plagued the island, burying the deserted town of Vestmannaeyjar even deeper beneath millions of tons of blackened debris.

Rescue officials, who had been optimistic a few days ago predicting an end to the two-week eruption of the long-dormant

## Prof of history to give speech about Zionists

"The United States and the Creation of Israel" will be the subject when Dr. John Snetinger, a member of the History Department faculty here, speaks during College hour Thursday.

The talk is being presented as part of the "Arts and Humanities '72-73" series of this university's School of Communicative Arts and Humanities, and will take place in Rm. 220 of the Union.

Snetinger's talk will be an account of the successful Zionist campaign in behalf of influencing the direction of Pres. Harry S. Truman's policy toward the emerging state of Israel.

Formerly a member of the CSU San Jose faculty, Snetinger came to this university in 1970 after earning his doctor's degree at Stanford. He is also a graduate of University of California at Berkeley.

need a group of mari-holics in our society.

I don't, however, feel that present laws concerning marijuana are good by any stretch. The penalty for the use, possession, or sale of marijuana should be reduced to a misdemeanor involving a "ticket fine" of perhaps \$5 to \$25, depending on the circumstances.

I know that anyone who smokes pot and reads this will probably have a first reaction of, "This guy's dreaming. I only smoke pot on weekends. Maybe sometimes after school." Fine You're right. I'm not telling you to stop.

But I am telling you to carefully consider whether or not you can afford the time and effort wasted on marijuana. If you can, fine. If not, slow down. Those who don't smoke pot, don't start. Those who do, slow down. Consider seriously the waste in your life due to pot.

volcano, said the new lava stream, moving north from the main crater, was rapidly closing the strait leading into the harbor.

If the harbor is permanently closed all rescue workers may have to leave the island; the officials said.

Two water mains and the electricity cables supplying the island from the mainland also run through the strait.

Only 300 policemen, firemen and civil defense workers remained on the island Monday when the new ash rain began.

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During the Sunday night Unconcert, members of the satirical comedy group "The Credibility Gap" performed a Batman and Superman TV interview skit in Chumash.

## COALITION GOAL:

# 'No-penalty' amnesty

New York (UPI)—A coalition of antiwar and draft resistance organizations kicked off a national campaign Monday for no-penalty amnesty for exiled Vietnam war deserters and draft evaders.

Michael Uhl, spokesman for the group, told a news conference the amnesty movement would open a permanent office in Washington and pursue "all traditional forms of lobbying" to

## Baggett named to committee of state GOP

Robin Baggett, president of the Associated Students Inc. (ASI), has been appointed to the Republican State Central Committee.

Baggett was among eight people named by U.S. Rep. Burt Tulcott (R-Milwaukee) to the committee which met in Sacramento last weekend to choose a new state chairman and other officers.

"The appointment was a total surprise," said Baggett. "I worked as co-chairman on his election committee when he ran for office last year, but I had no idea this would happen. It's a great honor."

"I will work on the Senatorial, Assembly, and Governor's races in the next election, but I believe the real work to be done is on the county level," said Baggett.

Baggett is also a member of the San Luis Obispo County Republican Central Committee. He was appointed as an alternate member a year ago and elected as a full member in November by the members of the committee.

get a flat amnesty through Congress.

Uhl said a four-day meeting of American exiles and concerned organizations Feb. 18-22 in Paris would work out details for the campaign.

Uhl, who said he is a Vietnam war veteran himself, said the campaign would reject any notion of partial amnesty or "alternative service" because that would imply an admission of guilt.

Many draft evaders and deserters contend their act was more moral than going to war.

President Nixon last week said he would not grant amnesty to the U.S. exiles and that they would have to "pay a penalty" under criminal law.

A statement by Rep. Bella Absug, D-N.Y., was read at the

news conference in which Mrs. Absug said she intended to resubmit legislation she sponsored last year calling for unconditional amnesty for "all classes of essentially nonviolent war resisters including so-called draft evaders, deserters and anti-war demonstrators."

Uhl said that in addition to the Washington office, the group would coordinate activities with other antiwar and peace organizations and with families of the resisters.

Among the groups who voiced interest in the Paris meeting, he said, are Vietnam Veterans Against the War, the War Resisters League, Women's Strike for Peace, Up From Exile, a group of Americans in Sweden, and AMEX, a similar group in Canada.

## FFA exhibit helps kids understand farm animals

The Agricultural Education Club, a local chapter of the Collegiate Future Farmers of America (FFA) will exhibit an animal farm located at the Madonna Plaza Shopping Center, Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

James Tissue of San Luis Obispo and Ron Arlington of Molesto, co-chairmen for the FFA group said "The objective of the animal farm exhibit is to give youngsters a chance to become acquainted with farm animals."

Members of the Collegiate FFA will be there to answer questions about the farm animals, and farming education at this university. Baby pigs, lambs,

calves, puppies, chicks, rabbits and a burro will be the special guests. All the animals, except the puppies and burro, are from the herds and flocks maintained at this university for the benefit of the instructional programs in agriculture.

The University's School of Agriculture and Natural Resources, with more than 2,800 students, is the largest undergraduate school of agriculture west of the Mississippi River.

## Officials meet to discuss plans for clearing mines

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A team of U.S. Navy demolition experts headed by Rear Adm. Brian McCaulley met Monday in Haiphong with the city harbor-master and other North Vietnamese officials to discuss plans for clearing away American mines and reopening ports, the Pentagon reported.

A spokesman, announcing the meeting, declined to make public the details of the plan McCaulley

presented. But Defense Department sources said it could take as much as two months to remove or destroy all the thousands of mines in North Vietnam's rivers and harbors.

"There would be terrible repercussions if a freighter hits a mine and was blown up some time in the future, so we will be very thorough and it will take some time," one Pentagon source said. "There won't be anything fast about this."

Defense sources also reported about a dozen Communist bloc freighters were either waiting in Chinese ports or were on the high seas en route to Haiphong in anticipation of the mine removal. Most of these ships, the sources said, were carrying foodstuffs.

Haiphong is North Vietnam's main harbor, but there are six others scattered along the long country's coastline. Before the mining closed all of them last May 8, about 85 per cent of North Vietnam's total imports arrived by sea.

The rest of McCaulley's task force, which totals 20 to 25 ships, 40 helicopters and about 8,000 sailors and marines, is still in the Philippines at Subic Bay Naval Base where McCaulley's flagship, the helicopter carrier New Orleans, is tied up.

## 'Gap' captures audience...

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laughed with him. He displayed genuine pleasure with the warm reception given him by the audience, and there was an easy flow of conversation going back and forth between him and the listeners between songs.

The show was thoroughly enjoyed by the people who attended judging by the attention given to Stowell's performance and the laughter generated by the Credibility Gap. The evening's entertainment was accented by the informal atmosphere created by the seating arrangement which was set up mainly with tables set for four with rows of chairs skirting the edges of the room.

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